

MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Wednesday, May 9, 2007

9:00 a.m.

Room 519 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Accavitti, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Accavitti, Mayes, Angerer, Brown, Ebli, Hammon, Hopgood, Lemmons, Lindberg, Melton, Miller, Nofs, Garfield, Moolenaar, Horn, Opsommer. (16/19)

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representatives Clemente, Palstok, Huizenga. (3/19)

Representative Nofs made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of May 3, 2007. No objections being offered, the minutes were adopted by unanimous consent.

Representative Miller made a motion to excuse absent members. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

Garrett Greer and Kevin DeLine, representing the Dow Chemical Corporation, spoke to the Committee regarding proposed sustainability goals (including a reduction in energy intensity and a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions) and alternative renewable energy technologies and expressed the need to encourage energy efficiency programs. Questions were answered for Committee members.

J.B. Hoyt, representing the Whirlpool Corporation, spoke to the Committee regarding energy efficiency. Mr. Hoyt reviewed Whirlpool energy and water efficiency efforts, the development of efficiency standards, and the Whirlpool appliance manufacturing commitment to a greenhouse gas reduction target. Energy efficiency to improve energy availability in a cost efficient manner and encouragement to educate Michigan citizens in energy-saving behaviors were also discussed. Mr. Hoyt answered questions from Committee members.

Matt Rosendaul of Charlotte, Michigan, spoke to the Committee regarding a comprehensive home performance and critical factors for successful energy efficiency programs. Mr. Rosendaul also reviewed the Home Performance with Energy Start program.

Bill Adams, representing the Flowserve Corporation, spoke to the Committee regarding the work of Flowserve and energy efficiency with pumps and process systems. Mr. Adams encouraged education, training and incentive programs to make Michigan competitive in energy efficiency.

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There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Accavitti declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 10:07 a.m.

Representative Frank Accavitti, Jr., Chair

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Proposed